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Udalguri farmers get exposure on nursery management as livelihood option

Guwahati, February 7: A team of marginalised community members including twenty-four farmers from the Udalguri district of Assam visited Daffodil Nursery in Jagiroad under the guidance of region's leading biodiversity conservation organisation Aaranyak, to get an exposure on sustainable livelihood options.

The nursery, managed by renowned entrepreneur and resource person Dr Dhrubajyoti Sharma, is one of Assam's leading nurseries known for its expertise in scientific plant propagation and sustainable nursery management.

Dr Sharma conducted an in-depth session on nursery raising, covering plant selection, soil preparation, grafting techniques and integrated pest management.

He also highlighted the importance of homestead gardens in enhancing food security, income generation and biodiversity conservation. Farmers actively engaged in discussions, gaining practical knowledge for improving their own nurseries and gardens.

Farmers left highly motivated, eager to implement their learnings for sustainable livelihood enhancement in their communities.

The event was organised under the guidance of Jayanta Kumar Pathak, Senior Manager in Aaranyak's Environment Education and Capacity Building Division (EECBD), whose insights and leadership greatly contributed to the learning experience of the farmers. Dipankar Haloi, a Project Officer in EECBD, also played a crucial role in facilitating and ensuring the smooth execution of the visit.

This initiative was carried out by Aaranyak on February 3 last under the aegis UNDP-GEF SGP MoEFCC Govt of India, implemented by TERI.

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